LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL RESOLUTION 01-2

(As adopted June 7, 2001)

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE INDIANA LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL:

SECTION 1. The interim study committees described in SECTION 2 are established. Each committee is composed of twelve (12) voting members, with six (6) appointed from the House by the Chairman of the Council, and six (6) appointed from the Senate by the Vice- Chairman of the Council. Appointments from each chamber shall be divided equally between the two major political parties.

The Chairman of the Council, with the advice of the Vice-Chairman, shall designate the chairman of each committee, and may in the same manner designate a vice-chairman of each committee. The Chairman and Vice-Chairman of the Council may each appoint non-legislators to serve as non-voting members of a committee.

SECTION 2. Each committee shall study and make findings and recommendations concerning the topics assigned to it:

1. INTERIM STUDY COMMITTEE ON AGRICULTURE AND ANIMAL ISSUES

(To be chaired by a member of the Senate)

THE COMMITTEE IS CHARGED WITH STUDYING THE FOLLOWING TOPICS:

- A. Regulation of pet stores (HR 115)
- B. Ethanol use and ethanol production facility funding (ESB 456)
- C. Corn Marketing Council (HR 139)
- D. Agricultural marketing (HR 123)
- E. Genetically Engineered Seeds and other Genetically Modified Organism (GMO) Issues (Legislative Council)

2. INTERIM STUDY COMMITTEE ON STATE AND LOCAL GOVERNMENT ISSUES

(To be chaired by a member of the House)

THE COMMITTEE IS CHARGED WITH STUDYING THE FOLLOWING TOPICS:

- A. Telephone services for inmates in state and local correctional facilities (SCR 26)
- B. Design-build method of project delivery for public construction (HR 62)
- C. Truck transportation issues (HB 1566)
- D. Investigation of the Department of Correction (HCR 39)

3. CIVIL AND FAMILY LAW STUDY COMMITTEE

(To be chaired by a member of the House)

THE COMMITTEE IS CHARGED WITH STUDYING THE FOLLOWING TOPICS:

- A. Uniform Parentage Act (SR 5)
- B. Family law as it applies to marriages (SCR 93)
- C. Civil immunity for volunteers (HR 100)
- D. Juvenile waivers and tiered corrections (Recommendation of the 2000 Interim Study Committee on Juvenile Law and Restorative Justice)
 - E. "Zachary's Law" (IC 5-2-12) implementation problems (Legislative Council)

4. INTERIM STUDY COMMITTEE ON PUBLIC POLICY ISSUES

(To be chaired by a member of the House)

THE COMMITTEE IS CHARGED WITH STUDYING THE FOLLOWING TOPICS:

- A. Effect of utility rates and property tax rates on the elderly (HCR 13)
- B. Payments in lieu of taxes ("PILOTS") for state-owned land (HR 113)
- C. Assessment of farmland preservation parcels (SCR 57)

5. INTERIM STUDY COMMITTEE ON EDUCATION ISSUES

(To be chaired by a member of the Senate)

THE COMMITTEE IS CHARGED WITH STUDYING THE FOLLOWING TOPICS:

- A. Guaranteed energy savings contract program (HR 130; SR 51)
- B. Special education coop system (SR 20)
- C. School Finance (HB 2006)

- D. Process used to determine the amount of funds distributed to the school corporations (SCR 7; SCR 10)
 - E. Programs to attract and retain quality K-12 teachers (Legislative Council)

6. INTERIM STUDY COMMITTEE ON THE HISTORY OF THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY

(To be chaired by a member of the Senate)

THE COMMITTEE IS CHARGED WITH STUDYING THE FOLLOWING TOPIC:

A. Develop process for updating *The Centennial History of the Indiana General Assembly,* 1816-1978 (Indianapolis, 1987) and *A Biographical Directory of the Indiana General Assembly,* (Vol.I:1816-1899 published in 1980 and Vol. II: 1900-1984 published in 1984)

SECTION 3. The Legislative Council requests the following entities to study the topics indicated, and if possible to submit findings and recommendations to the Council before November 1, 2001:

1. HEALTH FINANCE COMMISSION

THE COMMITTEE IS CHARGED WITH STUDYING THE FOLLOWING TOPICS:

- A. Welfare-to-work program for nurses to address nurse shortage (HCR 12)
- B. Monitoring and identification of birth defects (HCR 91)
- C. Commission on Community Care (HB 1488)
- D. Methods to reduce the number of birth defects (HR 19)
- E. Indiana Comprehensive Health Insurance Association (EHB 1937; SB 386)

2. COMMISSION ON COURTS

THE COMMITTEE IS CHARGED WITH STUDYING THE FOLLOWING TOPIC:

A. Right to a pauper attorney in civil actions (HR 137)

3. LOCAL GOVERNMENT FINANCE STUDY COMMITTEE

THE COMMITTEE IS CHARGED WITH STUDYING THE FOLLOWING TOPICS:

A. Volunteer firefighter insurance (HB 1217)

- B. Local public improvement areas (HCR 111)
- C. Northwest Indiana local government finance (HB 1655)

4. COMMISSION ON MENTAL RETARDATION AND DEVELOPMENTAL DISABILITIES

THE COMMITTEE IS CHARGED WITH STUDYING THE FOLLOWING TOPICS:

- A. First Steps Program; infants and toddlers with disabilities (SEA 50)
- B. Economic impact of the closing of Muscatatuck Developmental Center (HR 138)

5. NORTHWEST INDIANA TRANSPORTATION STUDY COMMISSION

THE COMMITTEE IS CHARGED WITH STUDYING THE FOLLOWING TOPICS:

- A. Evaluation of air transportation issues and identification of funding sources available to the Gary/Chicago airport (HR 61)
 - B. Indiana toll road issues (SR 19)

6. NATURAL RESOURCES STUDY COMMITTEE

THE COMMITTEE IS CHARGED WITH STUDYING THE FOLLOWING TOPICS:

- A. Feasibility of establishing the Indiana Forestry Advisory Council (HR 85)
- B. Permit process for maintenance of drainage ditches (HCR 64)

7. PENSION MANAGEMENT OVERSIGHT COMMISSION

THE COMMITTEE IS CHARGED WITH STUDYING THE FOLLOWING TOPICS:

- A. State police pension issues (SCR 90)
- B. Participation of employees of small businesses in the state employees group health benefit plan (SCR 76)
 - C. State police disability plan (HR 112)

8. PROBATE CODE STUDY COMMISSION

THE COMMITTEE IS CHARGED WITH STUDYING THE FOLLOWING TOPIC:

A. Uniform trust code (SCR 4)

9. CRIMINAL LAW STUDY COMMISSION

THE COMMITTEE IS CHARGED WITH STUDYING THE FOLLOWING TOPIC:

A. Murder Sentencing (HB 1848)

10. REGULATORY FLEXIBILITY STUDY COMMITTEE

THE COMMITTEE IS CHARGED WITH STUDYING THE FOLLOWING TOPIC:

A. Effect of competition in local telephone market (SR 30)

11. ENVIRONMENTAL QUALITY SERVICE COUNCIL

THE COMMITTEE IS CHARGED WITH STUDYING THE FOLLOWING TOPICS:

- A. Review environmental efforts that are fully or partially funded by the state with respect to resource recovery, pollution prevention, clean manufacturing, recycling, non-point source pollution, and other environmental issues (SCR 58)
 - B. Environmental crimes (SB 133)
 - C. Recycling issues (HB 1058)
 - D. Wastewater and drinking water revolving fund (SR)
 - E. Impact of increased levels of outdoor lighting ("Light pollution") (Legislative Council)